

GUIDE TO THE AV1 KASHMIR FILE

/The AV1 Kashmir file contains general data on the state of Jammu and Kashmir, the possession of which is currently being disputed by India and Pakistan. The file consists of six sources, all of which are in English. None of the sources is oriented towards the socio-cultural aspects of the state and most are oriented specifically to Kashmir. There is only one relatively recent source in the file; the majority of the material derives from the period before 1930.

1: Drew is a geographical account of the Jammu and Kashmir area with material dating from the 1860's and 1870's. Scattered materials on ethnic subdivisions, history, caste, religion and language are also presented. 2: Gervis is a recent (1954) traveller's account of the Valley of Kashmir and surrounding areas, which presents a good deal of cultural information. 3: Imperial Gazetteer of India consists of a series of articles on various aspects of Jammu and Kashmir written by a former British Settlement Commissioner. 4: Durand, by the surveyor of the Durand Line, is primarily an account of the dealings of this British Agent at Gilgit with the various petty rulers of the area during the 1890's. Cultural data is intercalated from time to time. 5: Jammu and Kashmir is a handbook containing brief comments on geography, climate, history, land tenure, settlement, and government activities. 6: India is a report on Jammu and Kashmir State from the Census of 1901 and includes numerous tables on the characteristics of the population of the state. This file is usable for cross-cultural purposes, but should be used in conjunction with the AV4 Kashmiri file for best results. /
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